

## About the Hills

### Santa Claus parade

"The World of Disney" is the theme of the Acton Santa Claus parade, and Mickey Mouse will be the parade marshal.

Parade organizers are hoping for a 1:30 p.m. starting time, and are asking participants in the parade to begin marshaling at Eastern Avenue near the CNR tracks, between 12:30 and 1 p.m. The parade will be moving along Mill Street to Main Street and along Main Street to Knox Street, where it will disband.

The parade, which is being sponsored by Acton merchants and service clubs and organized by the Y's Men's Club, will include 10 floats, three bands, a group of drum majorettes and a number of other entries.

### Chamber raffle

It seems some people can't stop winning. Recently elected Ward Three area councillor, John McDonald won two of six raffle prizes at the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce's Fall dinner last Wednesday night. The raffle was held by the Chamber to raise money for the Alcott arena. Coun. McDonald first won a bottle of wine and later, some glasses to drink it in.

### Agriculture convention

The 42nd Annual Convention of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture will be held in Hamilton, at the downtown Holiday Inn, on November 27, 28 and 29.

The OFA Convention is the province's "Parliament of Farmers". It provides the organization's 23,000 individual members, through their more than 450 delegates, with the opportunity to initiate policy directions and express their concerns, hopes and plans.

The theme is Commitment - Commitment to the industry of agriculture, to a betterment of our environment, to the most efficient methods of production of food in this province - and a commitment to the future of Canada.

Present at the Convention will be farmers from across the province, representatives from the industry, and from both federal and provincial governments. The guest speaker on Monday night, November 27, will be John Sokol, a lecturer on Food Policy at York University. Dr. Beryl Orris will be the guest speaker at our banquet, Tuesday night, November 28.

For further information, please contact either: GLENN AGNEW OR EVA OLLINO, 387 Bloor Street East, Suite 302, Toronto, Ontario, M4W 1H9, (416) 967-6660.

### Brush fire

A Sunday afternoon fire alarm in Acton called the Halton Hills fire department to a brush fire on 17 Sideroad. There was no damage or injury.

### CVA Christmas sale

The Credit Valley Artisans Association will be holding their annual Christmas sale from 10 am to 5 pm on November 25 at "the cottage" Cedarvale Community Centre at the corner of Main St. and Maple Ave.

Hand-made crafts, a bake sale and refreshments will be part of the sale. Tickets are 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

### Operation Action

Operation Action, in co-operation with the Ontario Ski Association, the Parks and Recreation Department and the Georgetown and Acton YM-YWCA, will be presenting a "Cross-Country Ski-O-Rama" December 5 at Gordon Alcott Arena.

There will be no admittance charge for the Ski-O-Rama, which will run from 4 to 9:30 p.m. From 4 to 7 p.m., there will be displays, and people are invited to come in, browse, ask questions, and even bring in their own skis for tips on waxing. Information will also be available on where there are local rentals, trails and instruction.

From 7 to 9:30, there will be formal demonstrations, with films on waxing, and information on clothing, equipment and techniques.

### Cricket Club grant

The Georgetown Cricket Club has been granted \$774 to help cover costs for cricket equipment.

### GARA meeting

The Georgetown Area Ratepayers' Association is holding a general meeting for members Wednesday November 29, at 8 p.m. at Harrison School on Rexway Drive. There will be a panel discussion dealing with regional government's implications on the Georgetown area. Ric Morrow, outgoing regional chairman, Roy Booth and Mike Armstrong, representatives on regional council, will participate in the discussion.

### St. George's draw winners

The winners in the draw held by the Mens Club of St. George's Anglican Church, Georgetown, on Friday, November 18 were: First prize, 5 M.P. Snowblower; Bill Oates, 80 Raylawn, Georgetown. Second prize, \$100 AEP Gift Certificate; G. Cooper, 20 Grove Park Sq. Bramalea, Ont. Third Prize, \$100 Voucher; North Halton Sports; J. Ferguson, 98 McIntyre, Georgetown. Fourth Prize, \$50 Provincial Lottery Tickets; Bill Oates, 80 Raylawn, Georgetown.

### Acton area fires

Special to The Herald  
Halton Hills fire department answered two calls during the weekend in the Acton area. A chimney fire on the 4th Line of Esquimes Township Saturday afternoon caused minimal damage and a fire Sunday morning burned down a double garage near Speyside. Halton regional police said today the house on the same property as the garage had been broken into. The owner of the house was not home at the time of the fire or break in.

### Varian contracts

OTTAWA - Varian Associates Ltd. in Halton Hills has signed another federal contract with the defense department to manufacture \$108,549 worth of magnetrons, the department of supply and services has announced.

At the same time, the department announced the award of another defense contract to Aircraft Appliances and Equipment Ltd. in Bramalea which has agreed to deliver \$61,852 worth of radar equipment.

They were among 152 unclassified contracts worth \$10,000 or more that were awarded by the department to Canadians during the week ended Nov. 3. Total value of the contracts amounted to \$11,469,819.



YOUTH APPRECIATION AWARD WINNERS

Georgetown young people receiving Youth Appreciation plaques from the Optimists recently were front row from left: Michelle Mielke, Jamie Beecker, and Brenda Archer. Back row from left: Cheryl Hauser, George Petrusina and Gord Miller.

George Petrusina also received a special award as Youth of the Year for his outstanding community involvement in various school, church and extra-curricular activities. (Herald photo)

## Ward one councillor not seeking recount

Ward 1 regional Coun. Pat McKenzie announced Monday night that he will not be requesting a recount of votes cast in last week's municipal election in which he was defeated by a seven-vote margin.

Coun. McKenzie declined to seek reelection to regional council, but was one of four candidates for two Ward 1 seats on area council. Incumbent Coun. Les Doby polled the most votes in that race, but newcomer Ross Knechtel ended up with a seven-vote lead on Coun. McKenzie when all the ballots were counted.

"Tonight concludes 12 years of involvement in municipal politics for me," Coun. McKenzie announced to his colleagues on council at their final meeting Monday. "Winning is not the only thing. It is

not my plan to have a recount at this time. There are just too many major issues facing council in the coming term."

**CONFIRM APPOINTMENT**  
Watching from the gallery, Mr. Knechtel heard Coun. McKenzie confirm his appointment to the vacant Ward 1 regional seat. Ed Wood to show Mr. Wood around Halton region's new administration complex in Oakville Tuesday and introduce him to regional officials as his replacement on regional council.

Coun. McKenzie then advised Mr. Knechtel that he has often taken a "strong stand" on issues facing the local council, stands for which he has had to pay a price. He cited his support last year for the efforts of downtown Acton businessmen to have the owners of a Mill Street funeral home pay

the same special tax to have additional parking established as they do.

"I'd rather lose by seven votes than lose my dignity around town," Coun. McKenzie said.

The former Acton reeve expressed hope that the 1978-79

council will tackle and resolve such long-standing issues as the need for improved library facilities in Georgetown, the residential subdivision proposal by Focal Properties Ltd. and the construction of a new municipal building for Halton Hills.

## River Run solution sought

Town council is taking steps to ensure that a River Road homeowner is not indirectly victimized by the bankruptcy of the River Run townhouse subdivision adjacent to his property.

At the request of Coun. Roy Booth, town staff will investigate the availability of developer's funds to cover the cost of repairs to the homeowner's water supply lines, which were severed when sanitary sewer lines were being extended into the presently-dormant construction project.

Coun. Booth told council Monday night that the developer, whose efforts to build the subdivision came to an abrupt halt last month because of financial problems, replaced a watermain to the homeowner's property with a plastic base pipe when it was damaged during sewer installation. Improper grading at the site is posing related problems, he added.

**REPAIR DAMAGES**  
Because the subdivision developer declared bankruptcy, Coun. Booth explained, municipal officials no longer consider the letters of credit he filed with Halton Hills and Halton region "reliable". As a result, he said, there presently appears to be no source for funds to repair the damages reported.

Coun. Booth assured his colleagues that his resolution to have town staff investigate the matter will prevent the town itself from becoming involved in any legal proceedings. Clerk-administrator Ken Richardson added that the resolution was prepared in consultation with the town's solicitor.

Coun. Mike Armstrong and Mayor Tom Hill immediately questioned the reason for any involvement on the town's part, pointing out that the provision of water and sewer services is entirely a responsibility of regional government.

Coun. Booth responded that roadwork is a local responsibility, requiring the town to answer for damages apparently caused by grading errors.

## Meeting called

Halton region's public works department will hold three open houses next week in Milton, Oakville and Burlington at which regional council's plans to establish a 246-acre landfill site in rural Milton will be discussed.

The Ontario Municipal Board is scheduled to begin hearing the region's case for — and Milton town council's objections to — the proposed use of prime agricultural land at the intersection of Tremaine and Britannia Roads for the dump site Jan. 8 at Halton Centennial Manor in Milton.

Regional staff and consultants involved in the project will be in attendance at public meetings scheduled to take place at Milton library Tuesday afternoon and evening, at Trafalgar Memorial Hall in Oakville next Wednesday afternoon and evening and at Fairview public school in Burlington a week Friday.

The water pipe leading to the home in question, he said, is not actually a municipal watermain but a private supply pipe.

Town engineer Bob Austin confirmed that the plastic "garden hose" installed at a depth of two or three feet below the surface was reportedly severed twice during the sewer installation operations.

"Nobody knew about it until they hit it," he said. Coun. Booth's motion was approved by council after all were assured that there will be no money spent on the problem unless funds are found to be still available in the developer's letters of credit.

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